

**LAKE TOWNSHIP
4988 W. KINDE RD., CASEVILLE, MI.
BOARD of TRUSTEES MEETING-
JUNE 20, 2016
APPROVED MINUTES**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Those in attendance: Valerie McCallum, Dorothy Fischer, Dale Hartsell, Claren Russell. Absent: Clay Kelterborn. Guests-4.

Agenda: Agenda additions submitted under correspondence- MDOT Annual Meeting, letter from the Building Inspector, letter from the Health Department regarding beach water quality, and a letter regarding nuisance ordinances submitted by a resident of Lake Township. Motion by Fischer to approve amended agenda, and seconded by Russell. All in favor, motion carried.

Reports:

Supervisor- Huron County Commission meeting discussed fracking. Although unable to regulate locally, House of Representatives in Lansing are in process of addressing the practice. Currently House Bills 5366 and 5373 are being deliberated. The DNR has leased out land for fracking.

Treasurer- Taxes are printed and being sorted. The Treasurer is aiming to have them mailed by July 1, 2016.

Clerk- The annual audit information has been submitted, waiting for compiled results. Election Inspector training is coming up and we have two new inspectors at this time.

Correspondence:

CAFPA- Minutes reflect the Caseville Fire Department is considering training of First Responders within their department. They have the needed equipment. At present there are two First Responders in Lake Township through the Elkton Ambulance service.

Building Inspector and Zoning Administrator Reports- Reports are attached. In addition to permits and site plans, Tory Geilhart has been busy with zoning violations including long grass and camper violations.

A letter from a local resident was received questioning spraying of mosquitoes. The decision to spray would have to be county wide, and questions may be directed to the Huron County Health Department. It was noted that the Zika Virus is only carried by two types of mosquitoes, and Michigan is at low risk for having either of these types. Further educational material is at the Township Hall.

Beach water testing for the last two weeks has resulted in no closings of beaches in Lake Township area. The test sampling is conducted by the Health Department on Mondays and Tuesdays. Results are posted on our website and the outdoor bulletin board as received.

Building Inspector Letter- In order to avoid a conflict of interest, Tory Geilhart, requested that we allow Terry Kelly, the Caseville Twp./City of Caseville Building Inspector, to inspect Geilhart Builder jobs. Tory Geilhart has also been hired by Caseville to inspect for Terry Kelly as needed. Will discuss further under New Business.

Petitions/Public Comments: None.

Payment of the Bills: Additon to the bills, Sandy Pobanz for Hall cleaning at the amount of \$53.74. Moved by Hartsell and seconded by Fischer to pay the bills as amended. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

2016 Road Work- Estimate for graveling McIlhargie Road received. Gravel at 2000 tons would be \$25,608. Original quote was for 1800 tons. Moved by Hartsell, seconded by Fischer to gravel McIlhargie Rd. at 1800 tons. All in favor, motion carried. Grassmere Road needs five road tubes replaced. One was approved at the May meeting. Two road tubes on Grassmere should be cost shared with Hume Township and that township will be discussing it at their meeting tonight. Hartsell moved to approve replacing the two road tubes that qualify as cost shared with Hume Township as long as Hume approves replacing them also. Supported by Fischer. All in favor, motion carried. Road tubes three and four on Grassmere need replacing. Questioned if steel or plastic tubing will be used. Plastic is quoted as a little more expensive but should last 50 years versus steel at 25 years. Ditch burning cannot be tolerated with the plastic tubing. More information is needed before making a decision. Etzler Road has a quote for stone, but the Board prefers gravel as it is cheaper. Agreed to wait for a revised quote. Moved by McCallum and seconded by Hartsell to table decision on Etzler Rd. All in favor, motion carried.

Anti-Nuisance/Noise Ordinance Amendments:

Hartsell checked with the DNR's ability to enforce our local ordinances. They only enforce State laws. A letter regarding nuisance laws brought to the Board by a citizen appears to support the ability of a citizen to take another person to court to determine the rights enforced by the courts. It does not empower the township to impose nuisance ordinances any further than already established. Hartsell motioned to table Anti-Nuisance/Noise Ordinance Amendments, supported by Fischer. All in favor, motion carried.

Transfer Station:

Roofing and reinforcement of supporting back steel wall are done. We are just waiting for plastic which needs to be added to the front of the building. The sign in the front needs to be repainted. Gerald Pobanz will check with his wife who could possibly paint it. Also, a STOP sign has been ordered for the driveway of the Station to control traffic back up and providing safety for the attendant to load the dumpster. It has been noted that someone has been dumping refuse in with the compost. A new sign-up sheet will be implemented at the Station to note who is dumping, and whether it is garbage, recycle, and/or compost materials. Gravel needs to be ordered for the drive area around the recycle bins and dumpster. Hartsell moved to order gravel, seconded by Fischer. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

To avoid a conflict of interest in the past, at the cost of the Permit Fee we have had the County do inspections when Geilhart Builders was involved with any construction. Caseville has recently reinstated their Building and Zoning services. Their inspector, Terry Kelly, could do Geilhart's inspections at the cost of \$35 per inspection, allowing the Permit Fee to be kept in

Lake Township. Kelly could also do inspections if needed when our Building Inspector was unavailable (vacation, illness, etc.). Motion made to allow Terry Kelly to do inspections for Geilhart Builders, and also do inspections as needed, at the cost of \$35 per inspection. Motion made by Russell, supported by Hartsell. All in favor, motion carried.

A moment of silence was requested by Supervisor Val McCallum, in memory of Bill Williams who recently passed away. He was an election worker, and a volunteer helping in many ways with the Township of Lake. He will be sadly missed.

Public Comments: None.

Adjournment: Motion by Hartsell, seconded by Fischer to adjourn at 8 P.M. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Claren Russell, Clerk